PUBLIC INFORMATION STATEMENT

NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE BROWNSVILLE TX 501 AM CDT FRI APR 1 2011

...MARCH 2011 **CLIMATE** ROUNDUP FOR DEEP SOUTH TEXAS...

RECORD DATES FOR EACH LOCATION ARE AS FOLLOWS:

BROWNSVILLE RECORDS BEGAN 1878...
HARLINGEN RECORDS BEGAN 1911...
MCALLEN RECORDS BEGAN 1941...
CLIMATE AVERAGES BASED ON 1971 TO 2000 TIME PERIOD...

.BROWNSVILLE...

THE AVERAGE TEMPERATURE IN BROWNSVILLE FOR MARCH WAS 73.05 DEGREES...4.2 DEGREES ABOVE **NORMAL**. THIS IS THE 9TH WARMEST MARCH ON RECORD...AND THE WARMEST SINCE 2006.

BROWNSVILLE AIRPORT RECEIVED 0.07 INCHES OF RAIN IN MARCH...0.86 INCHES BELOW **NORMAL**. THIS IS TIED FOR THE 12TH DRIEST MARCH ON RECORD...AND THE DRIEST MARCH SINCE 1996.

.HARLINGEN...

THE AVERAGE TEMPERATURE IN HARLINGEN FOR MARCH WAS 72.13 DEGREES...3.3 DEGREES ABOVE <u>NORMAL</u>. THIS IS THE 13TH WARMEST MARCH ON RECORD. ONE RECORD HIGH TEMPERATURE WAS SET ON THE 8TH.

HARLINGEN AIRPORT RECEIVED 0.32 INCHES OF **RAINFALL** IN MARCH...0.92 INCHES BELOW **NORMAL**. THIS IS TIED FOR THE 25TH DRIEST ON RECORD...AND THE DRIEST MARCH SINCE 2005.

.MCALLEN...

THE AVERAGE TEMPERATURE IN MCALLEN FOR MARCH WAS 75.40 DEGREES...4.6 DEGREES ABOVE NORMAL. THIS IS THE 3RD WARMEST MARCH ON RECORD FOR MCALLEN...BEHIND ONLY MARCH 1945 AND 1953. THREE RECORD LOW MAXIMUM

TEMPERATURES WERE SET ON THE 21ST...27TH AND 28TH.

MCALLEN AIRPORT RECEIVED 0.31 INCHES OF **RAINFALL** IN MARCH...0.41 INCHES BELOW **NORMAL**. THIS IS THE 26TH DRIEST MARCH ON RECORD...AND THE DRIEST SINCE 2008.